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ENP#1F0072356 2/00/VCK/R1386-72 SPOT REPORT FOLLOW-UP NR. 6 SONGBIRD

AVN/AVIA. OPER. DAMC/I. NVN RADAR COMPANY 46 REPORTS THE SHOOTDOWN OF AN A7 AND

CAPTURE OF THE PILOT (SPOT REPORT FOLLOW-UP NR. 6 TO SPOT REPORT

2/00/VCK/R1358-72, 192228Z DEC 72)

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ON 28 DECEMBER, RADAR COMPANY 46 (KIEN AN/28-44N 106-38E) REPORTED THE SHOOTDOWN OF AN A-7 AIRCRAFT AT 2128Z, ON 19 DECEMBER, AND THE SUBSEQUENT CAPTURING ALIVE OF THE PILOT. AT 0120Z, ON 28 DECEMBER, COMPANY 46 REPORTED TO ITS CONTROLLER, THE 293RD RECONNAISSANCE REGIMENT (PHUC YEN AIRFIELD) THAT, AT 04230 (2123Z) THE 363RD DIVISION((1)) SHOT DOWN ONE A7 AT A DISTANCE OF 2 KILOMETERS (APPROX 1 NM) FROM THE POSITION. THE TAIL ASSEMBLY OF THE AIRCRAFT AND ONE BOMB THAT DID NOT EXPLODE AND ARE AT A DISTANCE OF 700 METERS (2296 FEET) FROM THE P15 (FLAT FACE) SEARCH RADAR POSITION AND 1400 METERS (4592 FEET) FROM THE COMMAND POST((2)). THE PIRATE PILOT WAS CAPTURED ALIVE IN THE DISTRICT OF AN THUY((3)). AT 2159Z, 19 DECEMBER, AN UNIDENTIFIED BATTALION OF THE 238TH SAM REGIMENT REPORTED HAVING LAUNCHED A MISSILE AND SUBSEQUENTLY DOWNING AN AIRCRAFT IN THE HAIPHONG AREA. THE 238TH SAM REGIMENT IS SUBORDINATE TO THE 363RD AIR DEFENSE DIVISION. 238TH SAM REGIMENT COMMUNICATIONS NOTED SINCE 18 DECEMBER HAVE CONTAINED SEVERAL REFERENCES TO RECEIVING ACQUISITION SUPPORT DATA FROM RADAR COMPANY 46. ((1)) 363RD AIR DEFENSE DIVISION OPERATING IN THE HAIPHONG AREA. ((2)) THE COMMUNICATIONS TERMINAL OF RADAR COMPANY 46. ((3)) THE HAIPHONG/HAIPHONG KIEN AN AREA. XXHH 500 03101 MNHH

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